

V. REMARKS

The Office Action asserts that the title of the invention is not descriptive. The title of the invention is amended as indicated above which is now descriptive of the claimed invention.

Claims 3-5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as the invention. Claims 3-5 are canceled and therefore the rejection as applied thereto is now moot. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Liang et al. (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0016318). The Examiner believes that all of the features of these claims are taught in this reference.

Liang discloses a color display achieving color images by controlling contrast of brightness of a plurality of pixels. Each of the pixels includes at least two sub-pixels. Each of the sub-pixels includes at least two colors. Each line of transversely-arranged sub-pixels is electrically connected together by a signal scan line. Each line of longitudinally-arranged colors is electrically connected together by a data transmission scan line. At least two of the data transmission lines connect the same color in each line of the longitudinally-arranged pixels being joined together by a conductive line to be connected to the same driving part.

Claim 1, as amended, is directed to a gaming machine that includes a display unit that is constituted by a plurality of kinds of pixel electrodes that display colors, respectively, and are arranged in matrix. Claim 1 further recites that a display unit has pixel units each of which is constituted by arranging each one of a plurality of kinds of pixel electrodes that display predetermined colors, respectively, and one pixel is constituted by a pair of adjacent pixel units. Furthermore, claim 1 recites that an information signal for the pixel is supplied in the same timing to pixel electrodes for the same color that are contained in the pair of pixel units, respectively. Additionally, claim 1 recites that a pitch P (mm)

between pixel units and a distance d (mm) from the gaming machine relative to a player in a normal game posture satisfy a following relationship:

$$P = \tan (\pi/180/35) \times d/2 \times (1+ \alpha)$$

wherein a correction value α is $\pm 0.1 - 0.2$ and the distance d under a normal game posture is 300 - 500 mm.

It is respectfully submitted that none of the applied art, alone or in combination, teaches or suggests the features of claim 1 as amended. Specifically, it is respectfully submitted that none of the applied art, alone or in combination, teaches or suggests a pitch P (mm) between pixel units and a distance d (mm) from the gaming machine relative to a player in a normal game posture satisfy a following relationship:

$$P = \tan (\pi/180/35) \times d/2 \times (1+ \alpha)$$

wherein a correction value α is $\pm 0.1 - 0.2$ and the distance d under a normal game posture is 300 - 500 mm.

Thus, it is respectfully submitted that one of ordinary skill in the art would not be motivated to combine the features of the applied art because such combination would not result in the claimed invention. As a result, it is respectfully submitted that claim 1 is allowable over the applied art.

Claim 2 depends from claim 1 and includes all of the features of claim 1. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that that claim 2 is allowable at least for the reason claim 1 is allowable as well as for the features it recites.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Liang. The Examiner believes that all of the features of these claims are either taught or suggested in the combination of these references.

Claim 5 is canceled and therefore the rejection as applied thereto is now moot.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Further, Applicants assert that there are also reasons other than those set forth above why the pending claims are patentable. Applicants hereby reserve the right to submit those other reasons and to argue for the patentability of claims

not explicitly addressed herein in future papers.

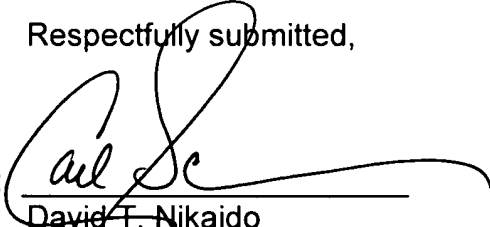
In view of the foregoing, reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

Should additional fees be necessary in connection with the filing of this paper or if a Petition for Extension of Time is required for timely acceptance of the same, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 18-0013 for any such fees and Applicant(s) hereby petition for such extension of time.

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